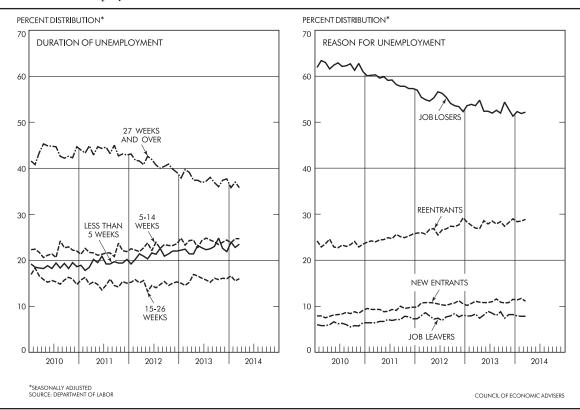
Selected Measures of Unemployment and Unemployment Insurance Programs

In March, the percentage of the unemployed who had been out of work for 27 weeks and over fell, while the percentages for less than 5 weeks and 15-26 weeks rose, and the percentage for 5-14 weeks remained unchanged. The mean duration of unemployment fell to 35.6 weeks and the median duration fell to 16.3 weeks.



[Monthly data seasonally adjusted, except as noted by NSA]														
Period	Unemploy- ment (thou- sands)	Duration of unemployment						Reason for unemployment: percent distribution				State programs		Insured
		Percent distribution				Number of weeks						Insured	Initial	unemploy- ment,
		Less than 5 weeks	5–14 weeks	15–26 weeks	27 weeks and over	Average (mean) ¹	Median	Job losers	Job leavers	Reen- trants	New entrants	unemploy- ment (NSA)	claims (NSA)	all programs (NSA) ²
											Weekly average, thousands			
2004	8,149 7,591 7,001 7,078 8,924 14,265 14,825 13,747 12,506 11,460	33.1 35.1 37.3 35.9 32.8 22.2 18.7 19.5 21.1 22.5	29.2 30.4 30.3 31.5 31.4 26.8 22.0 21.8 22.9 24.1	15.9 14.9 14.7 15.0 16.0 19.5 16.0 15.0 14.9	21.8 19.6 17.6 17.5 19.7 31.5 43.3 43.8 41.1	19.6 18.4 16.8 17.9 24.4 33.0 39.3 39.4 36.5	9.8 8.9 8.3 8.5 9.4 15.1 21.4 21.4 19.3	51.5 48.3 47.4 49.7 53.7 64.2 62.4 59.0 55.0 53.0	10.5 11.5 11.8 11.2 10.0 6.2 6.0 7.0 7.7	29.5 31.4 32.0 30.3 27.7 22.3 23.4 24.7 26.7 28.0	8.4 8.8 8.9 8.6 7.3 8.2 9.3 10.5	2,950 2,661 2,476 2,572 3,306 5,724 4,487 3,679 3,297	345 328 313 324 424 568 454 406 374	3,103 2,709 2,521 2,612 3,899 9,123 9,732 7,630 6,048
2013: Mar	11,706 11,683 11,690 11,747 11,408 11,256 11,203 11,140 10,841 10,351	21.4 21.4 23.2 22.7 22.3 22.5 23.0 24.8 22.6 21.9	24.3 24.4 22.7 24.3 24.8 24.4 24.0 23.4 23.9 24.4	15.2 16.9 16.6 16.1 15.7 15.2 16.1 15.8 16.1	39.1 37.4 37.4 36.9 37.2 38.0 36.9 36.0 37.4 37.7	37.0 36.6 36.9 35.7 36.7 37.0 36.8 36.0 37.1 37.1	18.1 17.3 16.9 16.2 15.8 16.5 16.4 16.5 17.0 17.1	53.6 54.8 52.4 52.4 52.0 52.6 52.0 54.4 52.8 51.3	8.3 7.4 8.1 8.9 8.5 8.0 8.8 7.4 8.2 8.2	27.0 26.9 28.6 27.9 28.5 27.9 28.4 27.4 28.2 29.0	11.1 10.9 10.8 10.8 11.0 11.6 10.9 10.7 10.8 11.5	3,655 3,413 2,933 2,955 3,358 2,878 2,811 72,644 72,584 73,502 3,472	333 361 346 341 391 305 269 7380 7360 7498	5,682 5,452 4,829 4,816 5,183 4,446 4,423 4,164 73,987 75,163 3,908
Feb Mar	10,459 10,486	22.8 23.5	24.7 24.7	15.5 16.0	37.0 35.8	37.1 35.6	16.4 16.3	51.9 52.2	7.8 7.8 7.8	28.5 28.9	11.7 11.1	3,237	318	3,368

¹ Beginning January 2011, includes unemployment durations of up to 5 years; prior data are

Note: Data relate to persons age 16 years and over (except for insured unemployment and initial claims).

Source: Department of Labor (Bureau of Labor Statistics and Employment and Training Administration)

for up to 2 years.

Includes State (50 States, District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands), Federal (UCFE), ex-service members (UCX), and Federal and State extended benefit programs. Also includes Temporary Extended Unemployment Compensation (2002-2004), Emergency Unemployment Compensation (2008-2013), and Federal Additional Compensation (2009-2010).